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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The Official Action mailed June 29, 2005 has been carefully considered.

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 57-68 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(a) as being anticipated by Min et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,864,643). Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is in error.

The '643 patent issued on March 8, 2005. The earliest U.S. priority date for the '643 patent is September 24, 2003. The instant application is a continuation of application serial no. 10/299,206, filed November 19, 2002 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,707,264) which is a continuation of application serial no. 09/757,265, filed January 9, 2001 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,501,234). Thus, the earliest priority date of the present application is January 9, 2001, whereas the earliest priority date of the cited reference is, as noted above, September 24, 2003. Thus, is it respectfully submitted that the '643 patent is not properly cited and cannot properly be cited against the present application, since the '643 patent does not constitute prior art to the present application.

Thus, no specific discussion of the Examiner's art rejection is believed necessary.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, early allowance is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner desires personal contact for further disposition of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Attorney at 603.668.6560. In the event there are any fees due, please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 50-2121.

Respectfully submitted,



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